Workshop 5 Information Packet

Draft Alternatives





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Subject: Workshop to Refine Alternatives for Bay-Delta Solutions

The CALFED Bay-Delta Program has reached an important milestone. With the help of past workshop participants, the Program now has 20 draft alternative solutions to present for review. Previous workshops have identified problems in the Bay-Delta, established objectives for solving these problems, and developed actions that achieve the objectives. This information was used in assembling these draft alternatives. Now it is time to invite your participation in refining these alternatives to a shorter list.

Please join us for our fifth workshop on February 26, 1996. Workshop 5, entitled **Refining** Alternatives, is scheduled for Monday, February 26 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Beverly Garland Hotel in Sacramento (see enclosed map for directions).

Workshop participants will evaluate the draft alternatives for their ability to achieve the program objectives and address the solution principles. This set of draft alternatives attempts to capture the full range of solutions available to address problems in the Bay-Delta. The main questions to consider as you review these alternatives are: Do the draft alternatives represent a full range of reasonable approaches to Bay-Delta problems? Are any major approaches missing from these draft alternatives?

This packet explains how the draft alternatives were developed. It also contains brief summaries and expanded descriptions of each alternative, and a matrix highlighting major approaches in the alternatives. Please read these materials so you are prepared to participate in the discussions of alternatives, and, most importantly, provide feedback.

Please also keep in mind that these are <u>draft</u> alternatives, not final products. They are subject to change based on public and stakeholder input. This workshop is an important opportunity to provide feedback before further refinements of 8-12 promising alternatives in March. Your presence and participation are important to the collaborative approach of the CALFED Bay-Delta program and very much appreciated. If you cannot attend, please send any comments on this material by March 1.

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